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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
Docket: ATM-2244

Applicant : Wilfried JUD et al.  
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Mark : STERILISABLE COMPOSITE FILM

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please amend this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

~~Cancel Claims 1 to 14, and insert therefor:~~

~~15. A sterilizable composite film containing a barrier layer that is impermeable to water vapor and gases in the form of a metal foil, and on both sides of the barrier layer at least one functional layer, the composite film has a layer structure containing one on top of the other:~~

- (a) a first functional layer containing a plastic film of the polyester,  
polyamide or polyolefin type or an extrusion layer of polyolefins or  
one or more lacquer layers or print and lacquer layers or print  
layers, and
- (b) a metal foil, and